

**KIDS MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS_08 November 2020_I Will Take The Children
Part 15: Choices in Moments_Ps Christi Grobler JHB**



Pray: Father, I release my faith for the Word of God to change my life in the name of Jesus. Your burden removing, yoke destroying power to set me free. I ask You that the anointing that was on Elijah will come upon me, softening my heart, becoming like a little child. I receive all Your messages that You are bringing to me right now, Your plans, Your purposes for my life and Your direction for me. These messages are defining moment messages, bringing great light and direction to my heart.

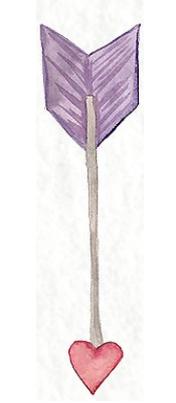
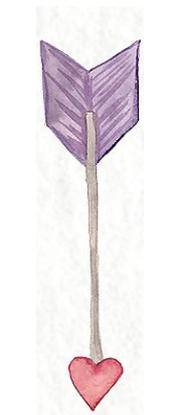
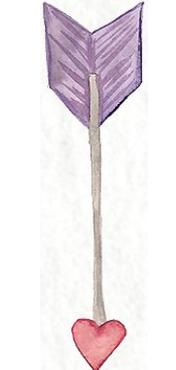
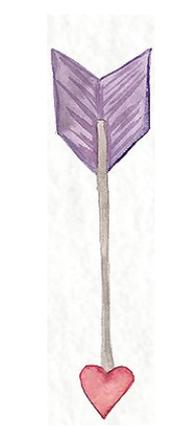
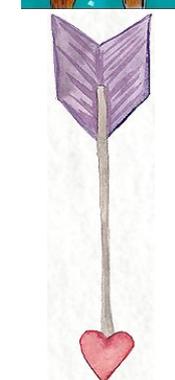
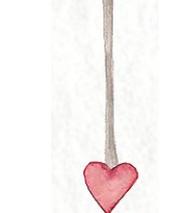
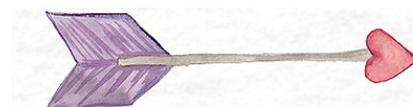
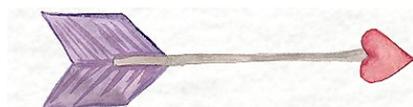
20 years is very significant: I know this is a big rock moment. October, this year, is 20 years for Pastor John and Pastor Sharon in ministry and for us with them - a perfect period of waiting completed. The completion of a very important cycle. Pastor John gave his obedience to many things that God required. **God imparted many things to me. He weaved very important and glorious things into my heart.** God has periods of time for us that must be completed.

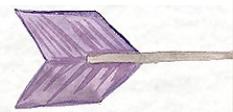
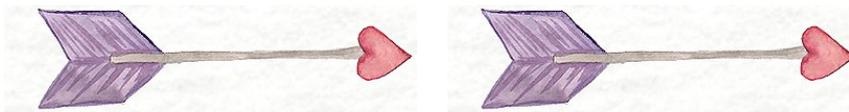
Abram: God was talking to Abram when he had victory over the kings - **Genesis 15:1-2 NKJV.** God said to him, *"I am going to give you a son but still, there was a matter on Abram's heart"*, **Genesis 15:8 NKJV.** Through covenant God showed Abram the future. **Genesis 15:12-13 NKJV.** We are talking about 20 years but God has many periods of times that He is talking about. **Genesis 15:16 NKJV.** Pastor John spoke about the iniquity of the Amorites that is not yet complete. God says, *"It is important. It must be completed and fulfilled"* and a specific time period must be fulfilled before his descendants can come back. **It's very important for my spiritual ear to hear in my walk with God that I will encounter different time periods. Before that period is not fulfilled, completed, the next thing will not and cannot happen.** God is going to show Pastor John the next phase in the grand plan and us, we're not going to be presumptuous to say what we think it will be going through the new door.

Fullness of time has come: God brings certain periods of time to its fullness. **Galatians 4:4 NKJV.** Not a day sooner. **There is a fullness that must come for things I am believing God for and things that I am in with God on my journey.** It's for the choices for moments in my life, I have got this Word - not one of us is five minutes late. I live by faith and not by feelings. It doesn't matter what I feel like, **John 7:8 NKJV,** even when you do things back and forth from a Monday to the next Sunday. This is the birth of John, the Baptist. **Luke 1:57 NKJV.** There are choices that I have in moments. Leaning on my own understanding or leaning on God will bring different things forth. It's very important in my purpose and my alignment for assignment with Jesus and Pastor John to bring forth what God has called me to bring forth.

Repentance: The Israelites wandered 40 years (20/20) in the wilderness and then there was a transition, the pause to (cut) circumcise their heart. **I am in that pause today because of God's great grace.** *This is what the Lord showed me, here in Heritage of Faith, not all people here today with us are following God with all of their hearts. Just like the Israelites, many of us during God's leading here, deliberately chose hardness of heart. And that is why we have a spirit of repentance here. Hardness of heart, many times, is on display. How? They murmured, they did not submit. They did not like what the leaders were preaching. Many people are still coming to church and they are not submitting to anyone else but themselves. This is directly against God's will and His Word. This is not what God wants for us. Those things and even if it is not in and on display in your life, God sees your heart and those things are causing things to be out of order. I am grateful for this pause that I can cut (circumcise) and look at my own heart. I can only do it for myself. God's great mercy and grace is here for me today. Why? That I can recognise it, admit it and repent. It is very, very, very important. There is still a lot of messy in my life but God says, *"Let Me into your heart; this messiness is going to go to marvelous, I've got you on this pause, work with Me here. I'm going to show it to you"*.*

Lot's daughters: Lot's daughters decided to lean on their own understanding. *"Well, there's no one, we can't marry guys here."* *"So we're going to make our father drunk and let him make us pregnant."* God says, **Proverbs 3:5 NKJV.** The first daughter had Moab - the Moabites and





the other daughter, Ammon - the Amorites. These Amorites and Moabites were the enemy coming against Israel again and again. They rose up and become a generation of anti-God people. **When I lean on my own understanding I produce a generation of anti-God people.**

Ruth - plantedness: Ruth followed the plan of God. She brought forth Obed, the father of Jesse, the father of King David. **Not leaning on my own understanding and doing great things (exploits) with God, is a big matter to God and to my life. Young people, you have to look at the significant role players in your life - very important. Ruth 1:1-5 NKJV**, the nation that came through one of the daughters of Lot - Elimelech went to go and dwell in Moab.

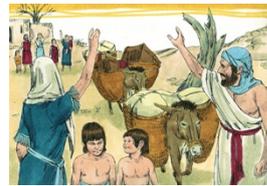


Elimelech: Ruth 1:1 NKJV. Elimelech was a very wealthy and selfish man. There was famine in the land and he was afraid that all the poor people would come and knock at his door during this time. Elimelech arose and fled. He used many excuses why he could not stay. Elimelech refused to accept authority in leadership that God has placed over him. Jews always settled according to their tribal divisions, their families and their father's house - plantedness. They talk about Elimelech's misdeeds - he decided to leave and to desert their family. When you leave your spiritual family, you take your supply of the spirit, your gifts, anointings and callings with you.

Young people: This revelation, changes my life, it impacts and changes everything. Jesus is making this difference, not you and me. Jesus did. **Ruth means saw** - I see what is going on. **Mark 3:32-35 AMPC.** **This is huge for my life. Blood-born, no. Blood-bought, yes.** We've got beautiful families sitting in the church here today who are blood-born and blood-bought. Normally, a natural family, live for themselves and do what the soul wants to do, having no problem going where Babylon wants them to go.

Important - Discern the truth-speaker: When families start obeying the Word of God, they decide to go from natural thinking to spiritual thinking and walking with God. The Lord said to me, be aware of this very sneaky thing. Pastor John said, you must recognise who the truth-speaking person in the family is. It is not to say the whole family who sits in the church and listen to the messages are the truth-telling. The truth-speaking person who comes to church, put their foot in the message and hears what God is saying. Pastor John shared, he always listens when God speaks to him through to Pastor Sharon. Massive statement. **Young people, you have to recognise (discern) who are those in your family who have ears to hear what God is saying?** Sometimes mom or dad or daughter or son in the house is busy following their own plans. **I must discern who the truth-teller or truth-speaker is in my home.** Hopefully everyone, but that's not always the case. Not all fathers and mothers in Heritage of Faith are following and obeying God. Many love God but they are doing their own thing. **That's why God really wants me to look and speak to the young people here today, to say this to them, Jesus is bringing this recognition and understanding to me. There comes a time where I have to recognise this, walk in this all by myself where it's me and Jesus, Jesus and me.**

Ephrathites and remained: Ruth 1:1-2 NKJV, "Ephrathites" was a very grand title. This was an important family in those days. Every great man who arose in Israel had that title. The Jews talk about how great the sin of Elimelech was to leave the place where God planted him and his family. Although Elimelech and Naomi decided to go away for just a little while, they changed their minds and stayed in Moab. **The first wrong choice in a moment - to go.** You were never supposed to go. **The second wrong choice in a moment - we're going to stay.** Why? Being in the wrong place can impact, influence, and pull you to stay. **Young people, you know how clear the message is in this church about being planted.** Here is a story in the Bible of a man who took his wife and his two children to a place of their own reasoning, not being led by God. **Hebrews 11:8 NKJV.** Can you see? Not leaning on my own understanding. **Genesis 15:1 NKJV.** **God talks, He calls. I heard the call in the last message. God will always call. He will always show me the place and this is exactly what's happening here.** Abram obeyed when he was called by God but Elimelech decided for himself and received nothingness. Elimelech had no remorse (regret / sorrow) that he departed from the place God





had for him. I cannot have no remorse in this pause that God has for me. I messed up things in my life. It's God's great love and His mercy that's giving me this moment to cut (circumcise) my heart. I'm very grateful about that. Elimelech and Naomi were only planning to go for a little while, but the impact and the influence of Babylon, Moab, can pull you in completely. People not inquiring from the Lord think they will just go and do a little business over there, or just go and study there and maybe come back. Many end up buying property there not noticing that they are being pulled away from the place that God's got for them because they have pitched their tents there. This is big - the influence of Babylon.



Ruth and Orpah: Elimelech and Naomi stooped so low that they started to join themselves fully with the culture of the Moabites. Ruth and Orpah were two princesses, the daughters of King Eglon. Naomi and Elimelech, they were very rich (Ephrathites) they were noticed and very wealthy. Eglon, the King of Moab gave Ruth to Mahlon and Orpah to Chilion. As a wealthy family, Elimelech and Naomi mingled with the high society in Moab. If I mingle with the wrong people in the wrong place, I will end up marrying the wrong people. Come out of her my people, no more mingling. You don't have to be the wealthy to mingle in the wrong places. If you pitch your tent in the wrong place, you are going to mingle. It depends on where you pitch your tent - your business tent because there you are going to connect with people and start to mingle with them and God says, "No more."

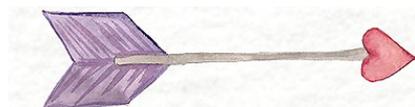


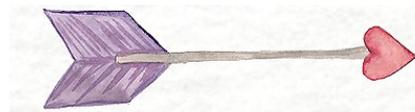
Choices - Elimelech: Elimelech dies a very early death. Elimelech never repented for not doing his part in his generation. He did not do his part. My part is vital. Elimelech was punished, not Naomi because she was subject to his authority, Ruth 1:3 NKJV. Elimelech is no longer called an Ephrathite, his title was stripped from him because he did not do his part. The name Elimelech means: To me shall kingship come. When he died, he is only called 'Naomi's husband.' He died in nothingness, losing all the blessings he had in his tribe where God had planted him. He was stripped from that title and the blessing that God gave him when he left the place; he went to another place and he died in nothingness. In the natural he enjoyed his riches, his wealth, himself with the rich people in Moab, knowing it was not his place; but it was his choice. He started off well, being part of the spiritual family (tribe) that God planted him in but he messed up. He followed his self-will, his desires and he ended up in nothingness. I cannot follow my self-will and my desires otherwise I will end up in nothingness.

Going to Babylon for help: There are two ways, narrow and absolutely constricted with pressure is the way that leads to real-life and few are there that find it – I choose it. Wide and broad is the way that leads to nothingness. Whatever I am doing that is not the will of God, means I am not in His plan, and 'nothingness' is producing in my life. Isaiah 30:1-3, 5 NLT. This is what happened to Elimelech. He went to Moab for help; not God.

Choices - Mahlon and Chilion: Young people, here comes a very big 'and then'. Look at the role players. It is wonderful to have a mom and dad that are choosing with all of their hearts the will of God. Mahlon and Chilion did not have a dad who chose the ways of God. Then his two sons married Moabite women. Here's the question that I want the young people to hear. After their dad died, the Bible says, only then they married the Moabite women. Shouldn't these two sons have learnt a lesson from their father's death? To return to the place that God's got for them. God gave Mahlon and Chilion time to repent. They did not, they too died. Ruth 1:5 NKJV. Like their father, the two sons are no longer called Ephrathites. Even worse, they are not identified as the husbands of Ruth and Orpah, they are stripped of their status and simply called Mahlon and Chilion. This is very significant when you read in the Hebrew Bible what this means. Can you see the choices moments that God gives us?

Choices – Naomi, Orpah and Ruth: Ruth 1:6 NKJV, Then she arose, it was time to leave the wrong place. You have to look at the House of the Lord where God has planted you. She left the wrong place; she and her family should never have been in. Ruth 1:8 NKJV. Ruth 1:14 NKJV. You would think after what happened to the men the outcome for all three women would be good. It wasn't the case. Orpah's turning away to go back to the house of her natural





father was absolutely turning back from God. The repentance was not real in Orpah's heart. Not at all. She heard God's Word coming through that family. She did not choose God. She was named Orpah because she ultimately turned her back. In this time of repentance, is your heart going to stay hard? Are you ultimately going to turn back? Ruth, on the other hand, did choose God. Ruth saw. She listened well to the words of her mother-in-law, she put her foot in the message. Straight away, not even having all the understanding in the world. Ruth's choice - **Ruth 1:16 NKJV**. Ruth came into the lineage of Jesus at that time in her life holding onto the little she knew about God. Ruth came with real repentance out of a heathen nation, she wanted God, she held onto Him. Real repentance means a turnaround. **My lifestyle must follow the purpose that God wants for me. Repentance happens because I receive something. I receive it into my heart and it will change my future. It will bring me to my purposes but it will cost me my current lifestyle. If I've got to make a drastic change, this is the time to make it.**

Ruth - Drastic change: Orpah went back to Moab as a king's daughter - Wealth and comfort. When Ruth went back with Naomi, Naomi was a poor barefoot woman. It cost Ruth everything in her life. She did not turn back to the wealth and comfort. Ruth knew what was waiting back home - great comfort, a king's daughter. Ruth chose God. Ruth kept on following God's plan. She returned with Naomi, Naomi was poor - messy. **Ruth 2:2 NKJV**. That is humbling yourself, being a princess and going into a field to glean after they cut the grain to get a few things. Who are the little children? **I humble myself, I'm lowly, trusting and my heart is after God**, this is very important. Ruth trusted God. Naomi was poor. What a moment, what a choice. Both of them are in a transition, in a messy, messy time. Ruth allowed God to come into the messy. Why? Your lifestyle choices will eventually tell a story.

Messy to Marvelous: Ruth 2:8-9 AMPC, How do you allow God to come into your messy moments to bring it to marvelous? **By putting my foot in the message**. There's no other way. **I bring God in through the messages that I come to hear**. This is being planted - the law of place. **V 8**, Ruth does not know by herself. **Like Pastor Christi I do not have the anointing to take myself into the Promised Land. I come to church and listen to every message that comes from Pastor John and Pastor Sharon. I put my foot in that message and I go to the Promised Land**. Ruth is not instructing herself. Boaz is giving her this message, *Do not leave this field*.

The Lord said to me, *"Glean in this field."* Do you know what glean means? **I gather Your word in this Heritage of faith field. I don't go to all the other fields and all the other words. I glean in this field. V 9**, listen to the messages coming. In other fields - going back to Babylon, in places where you should not be, the world will molest (mistreat, attack and abuse) you, they will impact, imprint your child, family or loved ones. It's very clear. **I glean in this field, I glean in this house, I glean in these messages. Young people, God doesn't have another field for you and if you are not in this field, come back, come back, come back. Come back to this one. Please, just go and read the book of Ruth and enjoy it.**

Moment: The word of the Lord came to Ruth through Boaz and Naomi to speak to her and to direct her. **Here are the instructions for the purpose that God has for me. Ruth 3:1-3 NKJV, Ruth 3:4-5 NKJV**. This is big. Ruth put her foot in every message that God wanted to give her, to direct her. **It was not her own instructions. I receive it coming from the pulpit. I make choices in these moments not to walk away from God's plan**. What happened in Ruth's life was messy to marvelous moments. It brought her right into the Big rock moment to marry Boaz, to bring forth Obed. **Ruth 4:13-14 NKJV**. What a purpose and a destiny for Ruth. **I must ask God, "Where and what is my part? Like Pastor Christi, I pray "Lord, who and what is my Obed that I must bring forth and do great things with You?" In my moments, I am choosing You. Young people, you cannot bring forth what God has called you to be and to do without being connected to my Lord Jesus and then His sent one (Pastor John) because that is how His plans work. In every message that God is bringing me, this is my part. It is a vital part. There are peculiar, special, strategic mantles that God wants to give us, His people, right now. Moments that I will have with God and I will know for sure, like Pastor John and Pastor Sharon, how it happened for them, it is happening to me. But the choice starts in my heart.**

